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CATALYST COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING ANIONIC CLAY) CONFIRMATION NO.: 1613	;
AND RARE EARTH METALS, ITS PREPARATION AND USE IN FCC)) EXAMINER: ELIZABETH D. W	OOE

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed in the above application on December 31, 2008. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this Patent Application in view of the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of Claims, which begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 3 of this paper.

CERTIFICATE OF SUBMISSION

I hereby certify that, in the course of ordinary business, this paper (along with any that may be referred to as being attached or otherwise included with this submission) is being submitted on the date indicated below to the United States Patent and Trademark Office via EFS-Web.

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